

July 1, 2003

D.T.E. 03-58

Investigation by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, on its own motion, as to the propriety of the rates and charges set forth in the following tariff: M.D.T.E. No. 241, filed with the Department on May 15, 2003, by Cambridge Electric Light Company d/b/a/ NSTAR Electric.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE

On May 15, 2003, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, §§ 34A, 94, and 220 C.M.R. §§ 5.00 et seq., Cambridge Electric Light Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric ("Cambridge" or the "Company"), filed for approval by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department"), a new Rate S-2 tariff, M.D.T.E. No. 241, Street Lighting - Customer Owned ("S-2 Tariff"). On May 29, 2003, the Department suspended the operation of the rates and charges in the S-2 Tariff until December 1, 2003, unless otherwise ordered. Cambridge Electric Light Company, D.T.E. 03-58 (2003). On June 18, 2003, Cambridge filed a revised Rate S-2 tariff. The S-2 Tariff is for municipal customers that elect to purchase streetlighting facilities owned by Cambridge, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 34A.

The Department will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the Company's filing at 10 a.m., Monday, August 4, 2003, in Hearing Room C, at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110. Following the public hearing, the Department will conduct a procedural conference.

Any persons wishing to submit written comments on the S-2 Tariff should file an original and four (4) copies of comments with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary to the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110, not later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on July 28, 2003.

Any person seeking to intervene in this investigation must file an original and five (5) copies of a written petition for leave to intervene or to participate in this proceeding no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) July 28, 2003, with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110.

A petition to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. § 1.03. Receipt by the Department -- not mailing -- constitutes filing and determines whether a petition is timely filed. A late-filed petition may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver. To be allowed, a petition under 220 C.M.R. 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10. One copy must also be sent to counsel for Cambridge, David S. Rosenzweig, Esq., Keegan Werlin & Pabian, LLP, 21 Custom House Street, Boston, MA 02110-3525.

In addition, please submit all comments and petitions to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us; or (2) on a 3.5" disk, IBM-compatible format. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding [D.T.E. 03-58]; (2) name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document (e.g., Comments). The electronic filing should also include the name, title and phone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be written in either Word Perfect (naming the document with a ".wpd" suffix), in Microsoft Word (naming the document with a ".doc" suffix), or as an Adobe PDF file (naming the document with a ".pdf" suffix). Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. All comments submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's web site: <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>.

Copies of the S-2 Tariff and supporting documentation are on file at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts for public view during business hours. Copies are also on file for public view at Cambridge City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139. Any person desiring further information regarding the Company filing should contact counsel for the Companies, David S. Rosenzweig, Esq. or John K. Habib, Esq., at Keegan Werlin & Pabian, LLP (617) 951-1400. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Michael Killion, Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at (617) 305-3619.

By Order of the Department,

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

